

**REMARKS**

In an Office Action dated January 19, 2007, the period for response to which extends through February 20, 2007 (February 19, 2007 being a Federal Holiday), the Examiner required election between Species I, "base film mainly composed of halogen-containing organic compound and upper film mainly of deuterated organic compound" and Species II, "porous base film mainly composed of halogen-containing organic compound wherein deuterated organic compound is impregnated in at least part of said porous base film". Applicants hereby elect Species II for examination. In addition, Applicants respectfully submit that independent claim 2, and newly-added dependent claims 5 and 6, read on Species II.

Applicants respectfully request formal examination of this application.

Applicants respectfully assert that no fee is due in connection with the filing of this response. However, if there are any fees due in connection with the filing of this response, please charge those fees to Deposit Account No. 50-0573.

Respectfully submitted,

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